

## Message Text

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FOR SSM - KONTOS FROM THORNE

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, IS  
SUBJECT: REPORTS OF INCIDENTS

REF: A) STATE 057933, B) SINAI 0681

1. MINE INCIDENT DISCUSSED REF B WAS REPORTED ACCURATELY IN THE PRESS AND DID OCCUR ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE EL ARISH GAS STATION ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE ROAD (FROM THE EL ARISH GAS STATION TO DOWNTOWN EL ARISH) IN A PARTLY WOODED AREA WHICH IS NORMALLY NOT USED BY ANYONE (NEVER SFM) FOR PARKING.

2. COLONEL LEVINSON ADVISES THAT A COPY OF THE INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ME BUT THIS WILL PROBABLY TAKE A WEEK OR TWO. THE ENTIRE AREA HAS BEEN SWEEPED AND THERE ARE NO OTHER MINES THERE. THIS INCIDENT IS SIMILAR TO ONE WHICH OCCURRED BETWEEN GAZA AND ASHKELON NEARLY A YEAR AGO AND BOTH OCCURED OFF THE ROAD.

3. IN ADDITION TO INFORMATION SENT REF B AND AFTER FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH COLONEL LEVINSON, WE WILL CONTINUE TO USE THE MOST TRAVELED AND BEST GUARDED ROUTE WITH TWO CHANGES: VEHICLES WILL NO LONGER REFUEL AT EL ARISH AND NO STOPS WILL BE PERMITTED

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BETWEEN WEST APPROACH TO EL ARISH AND ASHKELON. WE NOW STOP AT THE KIBBUTZ AT ASHKELON ZQICH MAINTAINS A ROAD-SIDE RESTAURANT AND  
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ELING STATION.

4. IN ADDITION TO THE PRESS COVERAGE OF THIS INCIDENT, MOBILE PATROLS HAVE BEEN INCREASED ON THE EL ARISH AND TEL AVIV HIGHWAY.

CONTENTS THIS TEL HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED WITH E-SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT  
HERE.

5. AS STATED PARA 4, REF B, WE KEEP THIS SUBJECT UNDER CONTINUOUS  
REVIEW AND WILL ADVISE IF WE CONSIDER MEASURES NECESSARY.  
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